

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICATION OF: Peter J. Houzego, et al. :

APPL. NO.: 10/581,668 : Examiner: Timothy L. Maust

FILING DATE: October 12, 2006 : Group Art Unit: 3751

TITLE: Method and apparatus for filling a container : Confirmation No.: 4567

Via EFS  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action, dated September 14, 2010, the shortened statutory period for reply being set to expire three (3) months to December 14, 2010. Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application be extended by three (3) months, such that it expires on March 14, 2011.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount of \$1,110.00 as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.